

THE NICARAGUAN ROUTE.

Congressman William Richardson of Alabama in a speech delivered in the house, emphasized the importance to the Southern States of the construction of an isthmian canal. At the same time he pointed out that the results would be beneficial to the entire nation. He said that the South wanted an increased commerce and trade, that this ambition would be largely advanced by the prompt construction of the Nicaraguan canal. Mr. Richardson cited a significant fact when he said that the isthmian canal had been under discussion for more than fifty years and that these discussions have contemplated the Nicaraguan route. Now, after the obstacle of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty has been removed, after a bill providing for the Nicaraguan route has passed the house, Mr. Richardson does not think that any thoughtful advocate of an isthmian canal is justified in opposing the enterprise with relation to the Nicaraguan route. Mr. Richardson said:

"The Nicaraguan coast is 600 miles nearer to our eastern frontier, and 350 miles nearer our western frontier than the Panama canal. This, according to the most reasonable computation, means five days more for steamers of average speed and fifteen days for sailing ships by the Nicaragua than by the Panama route—a loss of time that is of immense significance to ships of commerce and to our ships of war. We would be substantially excluded from all voice in a canal built by Costa Rica and Nicaragua with money borrowed from Europe, and our canal at Panama would be more than 400 miles farther from the United States than the Nicaraguan route. The competition of two canals, one built with European and Asiatic money and the other owned by the United States, would soon lead to antagonisms, and finally result in hostilities."

A REPULSIVE SUGGESTION.

Galveston News. "That the Cubans will ever be able to maintain a government unless it is a mere appendage to this, is seriously doubted by any one who knows the character of Cuban citizenship and geography. The suggestion of speedily starving these people into a course which they may at a later day gladly take is repulsive to every principle of honor. The crime suspected may not be committed. At the same time, Cuba is isolated in the matter of her export commerce by the actions of other nations. Unless concessions are made her by this country her lands must be turned out to waste and her people impoverished. Rather than that, it would be natural that they would take the only course left open, that is to make their island a part of this country. We complained that Spain murdered when the Cubans did not give freely. Let us not follow by a process of starving because the Cubans will not give all—even their country. Cuba will unquestionably become a part of this country, but when it becomes such the Cubans should become hopelessly to enjoy the blessings of a great Republic composed of honest people, and not as a starving, begging for his life those who have violated their obligations to him and to a world."

THE KICKING COW.

The Grenada Sentinel says: Every man who has a kicking cow will read with pleasure the remedy below, sent to the Michigan Farmer by a subscriber: "If the subscriber from Detroit who applied to a veterinary department for a cure for a kicking cow will take a piece of 3-8 inch rope 8 or 10 feet long, tie a harness ring to one end, pass it around the cow's body in front of udder and behind the hip bones, put the free end through the ring, draw it up good and tight and tie with a half inch bow knot, he can sit down and milk his cow without damages to himself or her. This treatment is easy to apply and it persisted in will break any cow of kicking without injuring her in the least. It will also keep a cow from holding up her milk."

The following advice is given by an exchange to "Jolly Girls": You won't find the royal road to beauty if you hunt 6,000 years. To have a thirteen-inch waist and to blonde your hair and to wear clothes that simply burrah at the passers-by—why, that is not beauty. Throw away those hip pads, "rats" in your hair and those pinching stays. Let your lungs have an air bath. Give your ribs spreading out room. Be a wholesome, strong, well developed, happy, and wholly alive young woman. That's real loveliness. Don't talk too much about foolish things. Read good books, choose good friends and learn some of the possibilities of a really useful and contented life.

The bondsmen of Zach Morehead, the defaulting ex-treasurer of Leake county, who is described as being handless and footless, have settled his shortage with the county. It amounted to \$1,458. Morehead was succeeded in the treasurer's office by a man named D. J. Cadenhead, so that there are plenty of heads for the office though there seems to have been a shortage on hands, feet and cash.

John Spurgeon, father of the Charles Spurgeon, recently celebrated his birthday by laying out the day in the South Sea.

Mr. Roosevelt has refused to reappoint a black man as postmaster of Atlanta, Ga., and has nominated a white man as his successor. The reason for the President's action was the fact that the negro was offensive to the overwhelming majority of the patrons of the office, who are mostly white people, including hundreds of students at the State University during the greater part of the year. This is the sound principle to apply in the case of every postmaster—Is a candidate for the office a man who is satisfactory to most of those who get and send mail matter? If he is not, that should end the matter, and it makes no difference why he is generally unsatisfactory—whether because he is black in color, French-Canadian by race, a blatant infidel as to religion, a partisan of the most offensive type, or objectionable in any other way. There should never be a postmaster whose personality, for any reason, affronts most patrons of the office. Postoffices exist for the public—not for individuals, or race, or even to enforce great principles.

A school teacher was telling her class of pupils some thing about anatomy. She said: "The eyes are to see with, the nose is to smell with and the feet are to run with." At this point a little boy interrupted, saying: "That isn't the way with papa. His nose runs and his feet smells."

Carl Schurz, who took part in the revolution in 1848 and had to flee from Germany in consequence, is now on Mayor Low's committee to receive Prince Henry. Mr. Schurz was long ago granted amnesty by Germany, in fact, has visited his mother country, where he was received by men of distinction.

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Ar. Detroit.....	8:10 p. m.	9:30 a. m.
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NAME.	DESCRIPTION.	SECTION.	RANGE.	TAX.	DAK. & COST.	P. YEE.	TOTAL.
Henry Brooks	lot 25 and res 8 tract	11	8	6	1 00	1 95	20 3 15
J. F. Bourgeois	house tenements on P. river	11	8	6	15 00	3 35	20 18 55
L. D. Herrick	lots 6 and 7 North tract	13	8	6	5 00	2 35	40 7 75
Ed. Parsley	house & lot Guichard tract	13	8	6	4 00	2 25	20 6 45
S. W. Bldg. Assn.	lot 3 Old Hotel tract	13	8	6	2 00	2 15	40 4 35
Don & Wm.	part Old Hotel property	13	8	6	2 00	2 15	20 4 35
Est. C. L. Johnson	lot 1 side Market St.	14	8	6	1 40	1 99	20 4 35
Mrs. E. D. Johnson	lot 30 tract Market St.	14	8	6			20 4 35
Lizzie Lawrence	lot 6 and 7 w. Market St.	14	8	6			20 4 35
house & lot Washington St.	14	8	6			20 4 35	
lot nw cor Market St.	14	8	6			20 4 35	
lot on Pascagoula St.	14	8	6	21 00	3 95	1 80	26 55
lot 16 sq. 9 Krebsville	14	8	6	2 00	2 15	20 4 35	
lot 5 sq. 2 Krebsville	14	8	6	50 1 90	20 2 6		
lot 1 & 2 sq. 3 Krebsville	14	8	6	5 00	2 35	40 7 7	
Mrs. L. O. Krebs	lots 18, 22 & 29 Market St.	14	8	6			80 3 75
lot 42 Bennu Vista St.	14	8	6	1 00	1 95		

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A FORCE BILL WANTED.
It developed at the largely attended caucus of the Republican members of the House on Monday in the fact that the Southern Republicans are not in favor of the Crumpacker bill to reduce the Southern representation in Congress in proportion as the ballot is taken from ignorant negro voters. What they want is a Federal election law, that is, a force bill. There is no danger that any such legislation is that will be needed. The Republican leaders of the North have had the experience they want with legislation of that kind. Besides, they would not want such an election law as the Southern Republicans want. And why is it that they want a force bill? This is probably because the Southern Republicans are in the majority in the House. They have caused to be introduced a bill to amend the National Republican party and hence that party has begun to neglect them. It is not so easy for a Southern Republican to get an office now as it was when they were able to draw the attention of the whole country to themselves by means of force bill tactics. The caucus is going to discuss the matter at another meeting to be held early next week, but it is a safe prediction that no decision as to the course the party will pursue will be reached.

WOMAN'S WAY.
"Sir," she said as she stood on the top of a boarding house and beckoned a policeman across the street, "there is a boarder in my house here who owes me \$40 for board."
"Well, why don't you turn him out?" was asked.
"I have tried to, but he won't go."
"What does he say for himself?"
"That he loves me and can't bear the idea of parting."
"Then it looks to me as if you would have to marry him and let him stay on."
"You can't make him go?"
"No. It is a civil case."
"I might sue him and get nothing?"
"That's the way of it, ma'am."
"Well, then, I suppose I'll have to let him stay on and marry him, but he's the last that plays that game on me—positively the last!"

THE LOAFER.
An Arkansas contemporary gives the following wholesome advice to young men and boys:
"My son, follow not in the footsteps of the loafer, nor exemplate after him who was born tired, for verily, I say unto you, their business is overstocked, the seats are all taken and the whittling places are all occupied. It is better to saw wood at two-bits a cord than whittle at a halting match and ruse the government. My son, while thou hast left in the skull the sense of a Jay-haw avoid the cigarette habit, for the tooth-stomach like a guile factory and the whole appearance is less intelligent than is a store dummy. Thou art a cipher with the rim knocked off."

Two Kentucky congressmen who had imbibed rather freely of their native beverage were making considerable noise on board a train, and the conductor finally called upon them to keep quiet. "Sir," said one of the local statesmen, "I want you to know that we are members of the State Legislature." "Oh, I don't doubt it at all," replied the ticket puncher, "you have all the symptoms."

A paper in a Texas town relates that a woman went to the telegraph office and informed the operator that her husband had gone to Houston to get a motto for a Sunday school, but she forgot to tell him how large the motto was to be, it read: "My dear Frank, Rice Hotel, Houston: 'Glad us a child is born, 8 feet long and 3 feet wide.'"

General Joseph Wheeler says that there is little doubt but that the people of Cuba will demand that their government apply for annexation to the United States in the near future. He says that when he was in Cuba many of the more intelligent people favored annexation.

While we wuz down to Memphis last week we rid in a wagon that had no horse to it, burned along from saloon to saloon all by its lonesome. They called it a "order more beer," and we reckon it was, because the beer come.—Hardeman Free Press.

President Roosevelt recently received from the Hon. Perry Collier, of Boston a box of cats warranted to rid the White House of the rats with which it is infested. The box contained six cats, each wearing a ribbon on which was printed its name.

The Legislature has not investigated the State Board of Health. This infamous concern needs a thorough overhauling. The investigation now ought to go back to 1897 and show how the \$50,000 of the State money was spent.

Powerful criticism came to this city last year than any previous year, but it was not enough to stop the city from going on.